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For: PROCEDURE AND MEANS FOR

REPLACING AND PROCEDURE FOR

REPAIRING A SECTION OF A PIPE IN THE

PRIMARY CIRCUIT OF A NUCLEAR

REACTOR

## FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2 of this paper; and

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.